

Conversation Questions

Music

A Part of [Conversation Questions for the ESL Classroom](#).

- About how many CDs do you have? How about MDs and tapes?
- Are you a good dancer?
- Are you a good singer?
- Can you concentrate on other things when you are listening to music?
- Can you play a musical instrument?
 - If so, what do you play?
 - How long have you been playing?
 - Are you good at it?
- Can you play any musical instruments?
- Can you play the drums?
- Can you play the guitar?
- Can you read music?
- Do you enjoy music videos?
- Do you ever listen to MP3 files on your computer?
- Do you have an expensive stereo system? (... a MD player, ... an old record player)
- Do you know the band named Metallica? If so, do you like them?
- Do you like all kinds of music?
- Do you like American rock bands?
- Do you like country music?
- Do you like heavy metal bands like Megadeth, Marilyn Manson, and so on?
- Do you like jazz?
- Do you like to listen classical music?
- Do you like to listen country music?
 - Who is your favorite country singer?
- Do you like to listen to Broadway musicals?
 - What is your favorite Broadway musical show?
- Do you like punk music?
- Do you like singing karaoke? How often do you sing karaoke?
- Do you like to dance?
- Do you like to sing karaoke?
- Do you listen to music while doing your homework?
- Do you sing while taking a bath?
- Do you think there is a relationship between drugs and music? How about violence and music?
- Do you think your favorite music twenty years from now will be the same as it is today?
- Do you watch music shows on TV? If so, what do you watch?
- Does you mother play the piano?
- Have you ever been to a concert?
 - Have you ever been to a rock concert?
 - Have you ever been to an orchestra concert?
- Have you ever taken part in a singing competition?
- How does music make you feel?

- How many CD's do you have?
- How much time do you spend listening to music?
- How often do you listen to music? (...to classical music, ... to jazz, ...)
- How often do you listen to the radio?
- If you could play any musical instrument, what would it be?
- If you could start a band, what type of music would you play? Why?
- If you were a song, what song would you be and why?
- Is live music popular in your country?
- Is there any kind of music that you hate?
- Should music lyrics be rated similar to the way movies are rated?
- What are some concerts you have been to?
- What are some special or traditional musical instruments in your country?
- What do you think the world would be like without music?
- What do you think of manufactured bands? Can you name any?
- What is one of your favorite songs?
 - Why do you like it?
 - When did you first hear it?
 - Who sings it?
- What is your favorite karaoke song to sing?
- What is your favorite kind of music?
- What kind of music do you like?
- What kind of music do you listen to to cheer you up?
- What kind of music do you usually listen to?
- What kind of music do your parents listen to?
- What kind of music you like the most?
- What kind of songs do you like to sing?
- What kinds of music do people listen to in your country?
- What kinds of music do you dislike?
- What musicians did you like when you were in junior high school? How about high school?
- What radio station do you usually listen to?
- What was the last CD you bought?
- What was the last concert you went to?
- What was your favorite music five years ago? 10 years ago? How have your musical tastes changed?
- When was the last time you went dancing?
- When was the last time you went to a concert?
- Where do you usually listen to music?
- Which do you prefer, songs in English or songs in your own language?
- Who is your favorite singer or group?
- Who is your favorite singer?
- Why do you think music is important and how does it affect different people?
- Why is music so important to people and culture?
- Is the image of the group or singer more important than the music?
- Can you think of examples of music calming people or increasing their efficiency?
- Do you mind singing to other people? (Another wording: ...singing in front of people?)
 - If you don't mind then how large an audience would be too many?

- While listening to the radio, do you ever want to sing the song that is being played?
- Why do you think some people believe opera singers should be fat?
- Do you ever download MP3 files from the Internet?
- Do you prefer rock music or romantic music?
- Do you think music can heal sick people?
- Do you think that animals can enjoy music? How do you know?
- Do you think that music can help make world peace? How?
- How important do you think a good music teacher is to mastering an instrument?
- What do you think the next piece of music technology will be, after digital technology?
- If you could invent a new instrument, what would it sound like?
- Do you think the use of drugs by some musicians increases their artistic creativity?
- Who is your favorite composer?
- Did you go to the symphony when you were a child?
- Do your brothers and sisters also love classical music?
- What makes a song popular for you, the lyrics of the song or the melody?

If you can think of another good question for this list, please [add it](#).

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